

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Feb. 16—James Monroe, 106 years old, arrested on a charge of being drunk and disorderly was given a suspended sentence by Municipal Judge Brockman on the ground his advanced age.

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CARNATIONSHIRE, Eng., Feb. 16.—The Carnationshire education committee has decided to introduce a course in prohibition in its schools. The National Union of Teachers has entered the issue.

YOUTHFUL BARS CONFESS TO SERIES OF THEFTS

TRAFFIC MEASURES WILL COME BEFORE CITY FATHERS SOON

Discuss Hull's Proposed Ordinance at Meeting of Merchants' Association.

Elimination of traffic congestion in the business section of the city by the establishment of the 30 minute parking system, the opening of a public parking station, the setting aside of certain streets for parking purposes and the appointment of mounted police and traffic officers to enforce the ordinance and protect the cars at the station are set out in proposed ordinances that will be presented before the city council at the regular meeting on Monday night, Feb. 21, according to Councilman George Hull, who is a number of other aldermen and officials of the city administration are attempting to solve the city's traffic problem.

In addition, the measures proposed to abolish the 45-degree angle parking system in the business district as preferential, and substitute parallel parking against the curb.

Discussed by Merchants. The proposed ordinances were discussed in detail at a meeting at 11 o'clock Thursday morning at the Chamber of Commerce of the Retail Merchants' association. Councilman Hull, sponsor of the public parking station and mounted police provisions, set forth in detail the program that will be presented before the council for consideration.

That little opposition against the proposed parking regulations is expected is forecasted by the fact that Mayor Eli F. Seebert, and the members of the board of public safety have announced themselves favorable to some plan by which to eliminate traffic congestion from the principal streets in the "loop" district. Then too, it is reported, merchants affected by the regulations are expected to give the program their hearty approval.

Would Mark "Zones." The program is carried in two ordinances. One of the proposed measures will set forth certain streets to be declared "preferential traffic" streets, defining such streets as "safety zones" and providing for designation of such zones by signs or markers indicating their location. Another ordinance will provide for a public parking station and set forth regulations concerning same, such regulations demanding the attendance at the station of police to insure the protection of vehicles parked therein.

The feature of Hull's plan is the time-limit for parking of cars within the safety zones. Instead of one hour, as general expressions of the subject provide, this time is reduced to 30 minutes. Proponents of this idea insist that a shorter time, plus reducing the congestion to a minimum will permit of better supervision by the police.

Withhold Ordinance. The subject was presented before the board of safety recently by Mayor Seebert at which time the mayor called it one of the "most pressing" problems the administration would be called upon to solve. The discussion went over until a week ago when at a special meeting of the board attended by City Atty. L. W. Hammond and other interested officials, a proposed ordinance covering this matter was prepared. This ordinance, it is understood, has not yet been presented before the city council, however.

The plan proposed by the mayor, it is also understood, is not as drastic as that proposed in the ordinance to be introduced by Hull. The mayor's program as seconded by the public safety board members, it is said, would declare Michigan st. from Colfax av. to Wayne st. and possibly W. Washington av. from Michigan st. to the first alley west of Main st. preferential, and does not provide for a public parking station.

Hull's proposed measure for "safety zones" prescribes the 30 minute parking time between the hours of 8 o'clock in the morning and 6:30 o'clock in the evening on all days excepting Saturday and Sunday. On Saturday this time-limit is extended to 3 o'clock, while on Sunday the regular time-effect is maintained. Setting forth the 30-minute limit for parking of all vehicles, motor and horse-drawn, the measure specifies the following streets and thoroughfares as "preferential": Michigan st. from LaSalle av. to Division st.; Main st. from Colfax av. to Jefferson Blvd.; Colfax av. from Michigan to Main st.; Washington av. from Lincoln way E. to Main st.; and Jefferson Blvd. from St. Joseph to Main st. All vehicles in the described district are pointed out, for the said period of 30 minutes or less shall be parked parallel with the curb of the street "so that the right front and rear wheels thereof shall be not more than one foot from the curb and said vehicle shall be parked not nearer than four feet to either end of any other standing vehicle."

The measure further provides that such "parallel" parking rule shall apply to the south side of Jefferson Blvd. from Main st. to Lafayette Blvd. and the east side of Lafayette Blvd. from Washington st. to Wayne st.; the east side of Main st. from LaSalle av. to Marion st. and on both sides of Wayne st. from Main to St. Joseph sts. Parking will be prohibited on Center st., also.

The west side of Main st. from Washington av. to the alley south is set aside as a stand for the parking and location of taxicabs, according to the proposed measure.

Enforcement of the ordinance provides a fine of not more than \$25 for each offense.

Favored Mounted Police. A mounted officer to keep check

Comedy Acts Are Pleasing Feature Of Orpheum Bill

Variety of Humor Furnished by Program—Several Vie for Headline Honors.

Many laughs await you at the Orpheum. Every act, with the exception of Anna Eva Fay who heads the bill, is a comedy act. The humor is clean, and what's more—there is a wide variety of it.

The entire program is so exceptionally well balanced that it is next to impossible to pick a headliner. Jean Granes, with the assistance of two comedians who are not mentioned on the program, puts over a singing act of big time calibre. Miss Granes has an ideal jazz voice and an irresistible personality. Her partners are comedians, well versed in the art of laugh-getting. One of them has a tenor voice of quality while the other is an accompanist of no mean ability.

Gooden and Germaine, booked as "The Fashion Plates of Fun," are comedians of the first water with an exceptionally good "line." The closing place on a program is always a poor position but this team held the audience until the drop of the curtain. As housewife comedians they showed a bag of clever tricks.

You'll get many a good hearty laugh out of Daniel Roach and James McCurdy, familiar as the Hi Roller and the Town Constable of William A. Brady's production of "Way Down East," in "A Touch of Nature." If you like a first-class "rube" act, put over by a pair of genuine artists in their line, don't miss this pair.

Hallen and Goss have a good singing, talking and dancing act which fits well in the second position. They have a droll way of putting over their lines and songs.

The Hennings, a juggling act done by mother, father and a son about 15 years of age, got over to a good opening. The son is a comer as a comedian as well as a juggler. There is plenty of good comedy in the act, the only trouble being it is allowed to run a little too long.

The regular news pictures and "Academy's Fables" opens the bill. Miss Fay's mind reading act, which also headlined the bill the first half of the week, continues to be a puzzle.

W. J. R.

RADITCH IS FOUND GUILTY BY JURORS

Is Convicted on Assault and Battery Count—Drop More Serious Charge.

After absconding themselves from Superior court No. 1, for four hours, the jury hearing the state's case against Sam Raditch, charged in an indictment with an assault and battery with intent to kill, returned a verdict Thursday night, at 7:30 o'clock of guilty of assault and battery, with the intent to kill clause omitted.

The judgment includes a fine of \$1,000 and a six months' sentence to the county jail. Hearing on the case was begun Monday morning. Cyrus E. Patten was the acting counsel for the defendant and A. H. Hamborsky, prosecutor for the state.

The testimony revealed a shooting incident which occurred Dec. 18, 1920, at the home of John Dancilovich, six miles north of Mishawaka on the Granger road, Viola Raditch, daughter of the defendant, and A. H. Hamborsky, prosecutor for the state, that date is alleged to have shot Dancilovich after having been prompted to the act by Sam Raditch. The shot entered Dancilovich's thigh but did not prove fatal. Raditch's brother, Viola, escaped at the time according to the testimony and is now a fugitive from justice.

The state endeavored to prove intent to kill in the action but the jury's verdict left out the clause in the final verdict. The jurors went out at 7:30 o'clock yesterday returning with the verdict at 7:30 o'clock.

on automobiles parked within the preferential district will perform the necessary police supervision required, according to Hull, who favored the measure.

In a second proposed ordinance to be presented to the council at its next regular meeting, Hull proposes a parking station and cites its logical location the area of ground between the State and Bank Manufacturing Co., controlled by J. D. Oliver. Tentative proposals, according to Hull, have come from Oliver that he would lease such ground to the city, provided the latter will pay the taxes. The ground in question is located along the west race of the river and includes the property upon which stands the coliseum, the wooden structure erected at the occasion of the Bob Jones revival.

The question of parking regulations is one of pressing importance and the most pertinent for the public at the present time, according to general opinion. Ironing out of the proposed ordinance with a view of arriving at some tangible basis upon which the majority of citizens and merchants will agree upon one subject in which general interest is expected to be aroused.

Expressions coming from merchants whose places of business are adjacent or within the "zonings" areas have been for and against the regulated program, with those who favor such regulations and those who are opposed to such regulations about equally divided. Opponents of the plan declare that the requirements would prevent the parking of their own cars within a suitable distance of their places of business. Against this, however, proponents argue that a clear curb is a standing invitation to traffic.

BEGIN TESTIMONY AT TRIAL OF JOHN REALE FOR MURDER

Ben Neddo First to Testify—Indicate That State May Ask for Death Penalty.

Testimony in the trial of John Reale, charged with the murder of Michael Ralino, Aug. 29 last, began late Thursday afternoon, when Ben Neddo, for whom Ralino had worked for seven years, the first witness, identified a raincoat worn by Ralino on the night he was murdered, and also a coat and other garments. Ralino, Neddo testified, had borrowed the raincoat from him a week before he was murdered.

That the state would seek the death penalty for Reale was indicated in the examination of men for jury service. In each examination of a prospective juror, the question regarding the juror's objection to capital punishment was asked.

Reale, the state charged, shot Ralino on the LaSalle av. bridge. At the time newspaper reports indicated that a dispute had arisen between the two men over the affections of a girl.

Will Cite Threats. From the defense examination of jurors it appeared evident that they would seek to put into question the state's case. The defense attorneys, in an attempt to prove that Reale had previously been threatened by the man whom he is charged with slaying.

An unusual feature of the examination of jurors consisted of granting a motion, offered by the defense, that Bailiff Oliver Williams, in securing talesmen for jurors excused from service, be instructed to go outside of the court house. This is being done that the professional jurors which hang about the building in the hope of landing on a jury will not sit in the trial.

CITY JUDGE RULES AGAINST DECISION OF SUPREME COURT

DuComb, However, Suspends "Fines and Sentences for 'Hip Pocket' Carriers."

A man's hip-pocket is his "castle"—provided what it contains is not contraband. Overruling motion of counsel based upon the search and seizure act, declaring it unlawful for an officer to search the person of a defendant without a search warrant, City Judge Chester L. DuComb was called upon Thursday to determine a decision of the importance of which is far-reaching. He went opposite to a recent decision of the Michigan state supreme court which held that evidence obtained from a defendant could not be used as evidence against him.

In consequence of his decision, Steve Vucalya, 323 S. Chapin st., and Frank Kendziorski, 318 W. Division st., were found guilty of unlawful possession of intoxicating liquor, and fined \$100 and costs each. The defendants in addition were put upon probation for a period of six months with jail sentences hanging over them. Both fines and jail sentences were suspended in each case.

Raid Road House. Vucalya and Kendziorski were arrested at the State Line Inn Jan. 1, when federal, county, and local police officers staged a spectacular raid upon that road house, armed with a warrant to search the premises for liquor. John Mendich, proprietor, was taken into custody, and his trial is scheduled to come up before Judge DuComb this afternoon.

The raiding party, according to testimony brought out in the trials of Vucalya and Kendziorski, lined up "customers" against the wall and searched each for evidence. Of approximately 15 who were present, the two defendants were found to have concealed upon their persons bottles containing liquor. Further search, it was alleged, revealed a quantity of "moonshine" whiskey behind a bar and Mendich was also arrested.

In making his decision, the court declared there was a distinction between property a person may unlawfully carry but which it is lawful to manufacture and what is unlawful to manufacture, defined as contraband. "The State of Indiana, by statute, has defined intoxicating liquors as contraband," said the court.

"It is recognized unlawful for an officer to search the person of an individual without a search warrant," continued the court in defining his position, "but following search the question of admissibility of liquor in evidence against the individual cannot be denied."

The right of using liquor as evidence against a defendant when unlawfully searched has not yet come before the Indiana state supreme court for decision.

Announce Nominees for Lions Club Election Mar. 8

Officers of the Lions club will be elected at a meeting Mar. 8 from a list of nominees which is announced as follows: For president, Roy Fries, Frank Schumacher; first vice president, C. W. Coen; second vice president, Stacy Bowman; third vice president, Paul Anderson; secretary, Vae Woodruff; treasurer, L. A. Rausch; tall twister, Frank Ralino; A. H. Ross; lion tamer, Leo Ralino; Frank Nelson; trustees (two for two years and one for one year), Percy H. Walsh, Frank Gilmer, F. W. Nitsche, Harry W. Helman.

Largest spring in the world is probably Wakulla spring, at the head of the Wakulla river, in Florida.

Announces Candidacy for Senate



FORMER SEN. ALBERT J. BEVERIDGE.

Play Illustrates Great Dangers of Playing With Fire

"The Watcher at the Gate" Presents Absorbing Story of "Harmless Toy."

Every playgoer will recall at least one incident of his childhood life in which he made the painful and rather startling discovery that some object which he had regarded as an innocent plaything was in reality a live coal; or it may have been the object was approached with experimental suspicion, and he would have been disappointed, had he not received a shock. A child may know quite well there is a jack in the box, but he experiences none-the-less a genuine thrill when he presses the catch and up it springs. Jacks in the box are hazardous enough, but anyone will agree that playing with hot coals is fraught with danger.

Such is the discovery of the people concerned in the happenings of "The Watcher at the Gate" at the Oliver theater Sunday afternoon and evening. In the first act, they are amusing themselves with that harmless little toy known as the planchette, or ouija board, when a curious message is written out by Jack Blair, the acting medium, supposedly at the dictation of some individual in the spiritual world. Marshall Sherwood, the young writer whom the warning concerns, ridicules the notion of a communication from a spirit, but a moment later receives corroboration of the message just delivered in a manner both startling and convincing.

The innocent plaything has suddenly assumed evil properties, but Sherwood is a headstrong, daring young man who would experiment with live coals.

The result of Marshall's experimentation is told in the absorbing story to be presented Sunday by the Joyce Kilmer Players, of the Catholic Players Guild of Chicago.

"Fighting Irish" Eleven and Rockne to Appear in Scenes of Local "Movie"

Members of the champion Notre Dame football team of 1921 and Coach Knute Rockne will appear in the college scenes of "Along Came Jack," the local talent movie now being produced by the Elks. The scenes including the players and Coach Rockne will be taken at the college between 1:30 o'clock and 3:30 o'clock today and are the first to be taken.

Scene to be photographed Saturday will be taken at the Oliver home on E. Jefferson st., and several of the downtown streets. One scene will be taken on Michigan st. near the Rialto theater.

Ray Bird has chosen to play the part of the minister.

The cast as completed to date: Nellie French, Helen Hagdorn; Jack Swift, Walter F. Heller; Nancy Jones, Betty Wagner; Johnny Sioe, Al H. Kord; Tom Markley, Charles W. Miltenberger; Frank Dale, Frank O. Hogan; Dr. French, John E. DeHaven; Mr. Henry B. Swift, John G. Yeazley; Mrs. H. B. Swift, Mrs. David L. Guilfoyle; Auntie French, Ella Learn; Dottie Swift, Virginia Roberts; Tommy French, Master Francis Messick.

No. 10 Hose Co. reported Thursday a chimney fire at the residence of Frank Williams, 123 E. Dayton st., at 3 o'clock Wednesday night. There was no damage.

A plant grown in Japan which supplies a sort of vegetable leather.

Glass was used by the Romans in the time of Tiberius.

EX-SEN. BEVERIDGE ENTERS CAMPAIGN FOR SENATORSHIP

Former Senator Opens Drive to Defeat Machine in Speech at Residence.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 16.—Former Sen. A. J. Beveridge announced his candidacy today for the republican senatorial nomination.

Appealing to the progressive element, Beveridge opened a front porch campaign by making his announcement to representatives of the "Beveridge for senator" clubs from all parts of the state who called at his home.

"The confidence of the American people is the supreme asset of any public official no matter what his rank or station," Beveridge stated. "In my own opinion, in a time like the present, no one should become a candidate for so vital an office as that of senator of the United States, except in response to a genuine and voluntary movement of public sentiment of widespread and unmistakable character, since one of the fundamentals of our free institutions is that the people themselves shall choose their agents who make the people's laws and conduct the people's government."

Spoke in History. "It must now be clear to all that the country has entered upon one of the gravest periods in our history; from the economic and business point of view the present decade may prove to be the most important in our history, and which nation has ever passed," he continued.

"In such an existing situation and with such possibilities, it is neither common sense nor sound patriotism to choose party candidates for so critically important a position of national service and responsibility for any reasons of petty partisanship or personal ambition."

The spontaneous formation of these clubs which you represent and of all these others of which you tell me and the letters I have received from men and women in every section of the state, constitute a mandate which no man can ignore. I therefore comply with your request and announce my candidacy for the republican nomination for senator at the coming primary.

Enters With Humility. "I am, of course, proud that so many of my fellow-citizens deem me worthy to lead our party in the fall campaign, and, if elected, to serve all the people as one of Indiana's representatives in the national senate; but it is with humility that I enter the contest. It is this commanding consideration that has given me pause; for I realize the magnitude and complexity of the problems to be solved."

"It is a noble thing to be chosen by the people of Indiana to be one of their agents in that august council of the republic—the senate of the United States. No higher honor can be bestowed on any citizen—the names of Webster and Clay, of Sumner and Blaine will be remembered when the names of many presidents are forgotten."

"By the men she has sent to this highest assembly in the nation, Indiana has set a standard of merit which no state has raised a higher. By their learning, talents, character and devotion to public duty Indiana senators have illustrated the best traditions of American statesmanship."

Confidence of People Best. "Throughout this contest for the nomination I urge you to be guided by those sublime words of the immortal founder of our party: 'With malice toward none and with charity for all' so that whatever the outcome we shall be without bitterness in our hearts."

"After the primary, comes the real battle; whatever the result of the primary that party secures only an apple of Sodom whose candidate falls to achieve the confidence of the people in November."

"Issues of the utmost gravity have already been raised. At an appropriate time, after the petition for my nomination has been filed according to law, and I am legally a candidate, I shall publicly discuss those issues as well as public questions which affect the prosperity and happiness of all the people."

"Thank you again, ladies and gentlemen, for your faith and good will. The regard of good American men and women is beyond price and estimate of price. In all I say or think or do I shall strive to be worthy of their esteem and my only apprehension is that I may not deserve it."

Former County Official Sued for \$10,000 After Auto Crash Victim Dies

(SPECIAL TO THE NEWS-TIMES.) LAPORETE, Ind., Feb. 16.—Howard Dunn, prominent Laporte resident and former county official, is defendant in a \$10,000 damage suit filed here Thursday. Dunn is charged with driving his automobile at an excessive rate of speed, striking and killing Elias Dupert, who was riding a bicycle. Dunn is one of the county officials whose resignation was asked when state accountants examined the county books and found evidence that several county officials had overcharged the county to the extent of more than \$100,000.

Splendid Musical Recital Given by Pianist, Soprano

Mme. Sturkow-Ryder and Mrs. Kreighbaum in Pleasing Concert at Oliver.

BY WILFRED J. RILEY. An audience which completely filled the Rotary room of the Oliver hotel last night listened to an exceptionally fine recital by Mme. Theodora Sturkow-Ryder, pianist, and Mrs. Wallace Kreighbaum, soprano, given by the Apollo Reproducing piano.

Music circles of South Bend can well rejoice over the acquisition of Mrs. Kreighbaum as a resident of the city. She has a beautiful lyric voice of exceptional tonal quality which seemed even the more alluring in the higher registers. Mrs. Kreighbaum sings with deep feeling and a true understanding of here theme. Of the numbers presented by her last night, Cadman's "Land of the Sky Blue Water" and Curran's "Rain" were the most impressive. Mrs. Kreighbaum's voice shows splendid training and she never lost an opportunity to produce the desired effect of the right place. Her perfect articulation added much to the charm of her singing.

Flawless Technique. Mme. Ryder is one of the finest woman pianists heard here for some time. Her technique is flawless, her interpretation always interesting and full of meaning. The major part of her program was done in conjunction with the Apollo Reproducing piano, an instrument so human in its production of music as to be almost uncanny. Mme. Ryder demonstrated the instrument from every possible angle. She played double piano to it, alternated with it as well as having the instrument reproduce the playing of such masters as Brahms, Chopin, and Liszt. The instrument also acted as accompanist for Mrs. Kreighbaum. In this work, however, the playing seemed to be a trifle too loud.

AGED WOMAN FOUND DEAD AT FARMHOUSE

Coroner Finds Mrs. Taberski Died of Complications, Following Investigation.

Mrs. Katherine Taberski, 78, widow of the late Martin Taberski, succumbed to a complication of diseases attendant to old age at her farm home, four miles west of the city, near the public school house, Thursday morning.

Circumstances surrounding the aged woman's death brought a call for Coroner Crumpacker and the police. Shortly before 2 o'clock a man giving the name of Leo Stuchalski, told Officer L. H. Essex of the city health department on the telephone and told of finding his "mother" dead, with the door broken in Motorcycles Sgt. Bert Olmstead answered the call.

Arriving at the farm house, formerly the Slick farm, the coroner learned that Mrs. Praxeda Papaynska, a daughter of the deceased, had broken into the house at 11 o'clock, and found her mother dead. Mrs. Papaynska, who with her husband lived west of the city with her father, had been visiting at the farm.

Surviving the aged woman are one son, Steve Taberski, near Bremen, and two daughters, Mrs. John Buckowski, 317 Chapin st., and Mrs. Papaynska, who with her husband lived west of the city with her father. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

Cassopolis Man Arrested Here on Liquor Charge

Russell Marshall, Cassopolis, Mich., was arrested by Officer Cassin Luzny on S. Chapin st. Thursday night on a charge of unlawful possession of intoxicating liquor. Officer Luzny declares that he saw Marshall and another man emerge from an alley near Ford st. and that Marshall carried a gunnysack which looked suspicious.

When he ordered them to stop, Marshall, he said, tossed the sack against a brick building and a jug of "mule" was broken. Marshall's companion fled, but Marshall, even though he had disposed of the evidence, was placed under arrest. He will be given a hearing this morning.

Ninth Victim of Bar Wreckers Held Guilty

Charged with unlawful possession of intoxicating liquor, Steve Langyel, proprietor of a "drink" emporium at 501 S. Chapin st., where Chief of Police Lane and a detail of officers wrecked their ninth bar Saturday night, was found guilty in city court Thursday and by Judge DuComb fined \$100 and costs. A 30-day jail sentence was suspended.

CITY DEFENDANT IN \$10,000 DAMAGE SUIT

(SPECIAL TO THE NEWS-TIMES.) MICHIGAN CITY, Ind., Feb. 16.—The city of Michigan City was made defendant Thursday in a damage suit filed here for \$10,000. The city is charged with having neglected to place warning lights on the Liberty Trail bridge which was in an unsafe condition, costing the life of Jessie Szczepanek in May, 1921. She and a party were driving when their car crashed through the bridge. Other suits will be filed by the members of the party.

GIVE DETAILS OF HOLDUP ATTEMPT AT LOCAL STORE

Grand Rapids Boys Also Admit Stealing Decker Auto, and Other Robberies.

Diamond Dick's activities in his palmy days apparently were mild compared to the hazardous adventures of Thomas Podonsky and Thomas Benedict, 16 and 17 years old respectively, of Grand Rapids, Mich., who confessed to Sheriff Ansties of LaPorte county Thursday afternoon. The youths admitted having perpetrated a series of robberies, burglaries, thefts and hold-ups which began in their home town Feb. 6, carried them down through the southern part of Michigan and into South Bend, where their attempt to hold up Thomas Horowitz, a merchant at 905 S. Michigan st., on Feb. 19 was foiled when Mr. Horowitz disregarded their commands to "stick 'em up" and landed a heavy blow on one of the boys' jaws, and which culminated in their arrest in LaPorte yesterday.

When the two youths were taken into custody they were armed with "blackjacks" and revolvers, and were charged with the same offenses which they had just stolen from a LaPorte merchant. The only reason the boys advance for their capture without a "bottle" was the fact that the LaPorte officer "covered them first," it is claimed.

Make Full Confession

At first, the two youthful demeroloes emphatically refused to give the officers any information regarding their identity, neither would they give any plausible excuse for being so heavily armed, but after a severe grilling, coupled with actual identification by M. H. Decker, Niles, Mich., one of their victims, the lads without hesitation began to relate some of the details of their adventures which they had undertaken in the past two weeks.

Included in their confession was the Decker hold-up, which occurred a short distance north of Niles on the night of Feb. 9, and their unsuccessful attempt to hold up Mr. Horowitz. They also admitted stealing machines in Grand Rapids, Buchanan, South Bend and LaPorte, and many other minor thefts.

They declared that they forced Mr. Decker to alight from his Buick sedan, while they rifled his clothes for cash and valuables and then declared to take his machine.

The two youths were charged with gasoline theft from Niles and Buchanan, and that they then held a passing motorist, who later proved to be Frank Burrows of this city, and secured a ride to South Bend. Mr. Burrows, upon learning that the Decker hold-up, recalled that the two youths had had a machine deserted on the Buchanan road, and the car was recovered by Mr. Decker.

Describe Hold-Up Attempt

After their arrival in South Bend, they declared they decided to make a real daylight hold-up, but they later learned that they had picked out the wrong victim in Mr. Horowitz. They stated that they entered Horowitz's store and told Mr. Horowitz that they wanted to purchase some shoes.

While Mr. Horowitz had his back turned to them, one of the lads rushed a revolver on him and uttered a command to "throw up his hands." Mr. Horowitz, instead of complying with the wishes of the youthful criminal, proceeded to fight them. The lads, realizing their predicament, beat a hasty retreat toward the door and soon disappeared into an alley nearby.

The LaPorte officials have signified their intentions of holding the two boys under heavy bonds until more complete information can be secured on their escapades.

They both claimed that they acquired their spirit of adventure from reading cheap fiction stories.

City Briefs

At 8:20 o'clock Thursday morning No. 6 Hose Co. was called to the residence of Dora Wallachewich, 818 N. Michigan st., where a chimney fire was burning. Heavy damage was caused to the house.

Damage estimated at \$5 was caused by a roof at the residence of August Reese, 1261 N. Lafayette Blvd., at 7:25 o'clock Thursday morning. No. 2 Hose Co. answered the call.

The condition of D. E. Steele of North Liberty, who was operated upon Wednesday at Epworth hospital, is very satisfactory, attendants said Thursday.

Firemen Hume a lighted match or cigaret carelessly tossed into a pile of straw for a blaze in a barn at the home of Benny Sarman, 1115 S. Michigan st., at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The fire was extinguished without loss by company No. 19.

John Bazon, New Carlisle, who was arrested by Prohibition Officer Mathers, Wednesday, on a charge of unlawful possession of intoxicating liquor, pleaded not guilty in city court Thursday morning and the case was set for trial Feb. 27.

About 35 couples attended a Valentine dance given by members of the St. Joseph Valley Grange in the Progress club room at McMillan hall Thursday night. The program of dances.

Discussion of routine business occupied the time of the meeting of the South Bend and Mishawaka Milk Dealers' association held Thursday night in the Directors' room of the Chamber of Commerce.

Twenty-one employees of the local office of the Conservative Life Insurance Co. were the guests of the firm at a banquet held Thursday night at the Hotel McMillan. The Oliver hotel. Dinner was served at 6:30 o'clock, and was followed by short talks delivered by members of the staff. A. S. Burkhardt presided.